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SUBJECT: EXCHANGES: TEAM VISIT FROM DHEW

FOR SID SMITH, SCIATT

1. IN THE FOLLOW-UP LETTER TO MINISTER OF HEALTH BURGHELE, SECRETARY OF HEW CASPAR WEINBERGER PLANS TO PROPOSE THE VISIT OF A 3-4 MAN TEAM FROM HEW TO BUCHAREST FOR A PERIOD OF TWO OR THREE WEEKS IN EARLY 1975. THE PURPOSE OF THE TEAM'S TRIP WOULD BE TO MEET WITH MINISTRY OFFICIALS AND VISIT MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS IN ORDER TO ACQUIRE INFORMATION REGARDING WAYS TO IMPROVE THE CURRENT PROGRAM OF EXCHANGE AS WELL AS TO IDENTIFY POTENTIAL AREAS OF FUTURE HEALTH COLLABORATION BETWEEN HEW AND THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH. HEW FEELS SUCH AN ASSESSMENT NECESSARY PREREQUISITE BEFORE DECIDING WHETHER EXPANDING COOPERATIVE PROGRAM IS JUSTIFIED AND APPROPRIATE. HEW SEEKS ASSISTANCE OF EMBASSY IN ASCERTAINING WHETHER SUCH A PROPOSAL WOULD BE WELL-RECEIVED BY THE MOH AND IF MOH OFFICIALS WOULD PROVIDE AN OPEN AND USEFUL AGENDA FOR SUCH A TEAM.

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2. DHEW PROGRAM AND IMPLEMENTING CONDITIONS FOR EXCHANGE
AGREEMENT NEGOTIATIONS FOLLOW SEPTTEL. INGERSOLL

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